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# State Water Resources Control Board

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## NOTICE OF PETITIONS REQUESTING CHANGES, CORRECTIONS, OR EXTENSIONS OF TIME IN WATER RIGHT PERMITS AND LICENSES

**Dated: February 14, 2003**

**NOTICE:** The purpose of this notice is to advise interested persons of petitions requesting changes to water right permits and licenses. This notice provides a summary of all petitions that have been reviewed and prepared for noticing during the month by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), Division of Water Rights (Division).

This notice provides a short summary of each petition and also provides instructions for filling a protest against the requested changes. If you would like additional information relating to a petition, or information relating to the procedure for filing a protest please call the contact person listed for the specific petition. The Division's public notices may also be viewed and printed from its web-site, [www.waterrights.ca.gov](http://www.waterrights.ca.gov).

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** Persons diverting water from a stream must, in most cases, obtain a water right permit issued by the SWRCB, in accordance with the provisions of the California Water Code. (People can divert water from a stream under riparian rights or rights initialed prior to 1914.) A water right permit issued by the SWRCB defines the:

- Stream or river from which water is diverted;
- Amount of water that can be diverted;
- Season of the year during which the water can be diverted;
- Point of diversion from the stream;
- Place of use of the diverted water; and
- Purpose of use.

In addition, the water right permit includes a date for applying the water to beneficial use. Any party having a water right permit must submit a petition and receive approval from the SWRCB to change the place of use, purpose of use, or point of diversion, or to request an extension of time to make full beneficial use of the water. The SWRCB must consider the potential impacts to other water users that could be affected by the proposed change and must also consider the potential environmental impacts that would result from the proposed change. The SWRCB must comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act prior to approval of any petition.

**PROCEDURES FOR FILING PROTESTS:** Any person may file a protest against the changes proposed in a petition. However, protests filed in response to this notice must be postmarked or received in the Division's office at the address listed below, by 4:00 pm on the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the date of this notice.

A protest should be submitted on the standard protest form that is available from the Division and can be printed from the Division's web-site [www.waterrights.ca.gov/forms/](http://www.waterrights.ca.gov/forms/). Due to the constraints of the noticing period, protestants may file protests, etc., by FAX. However, an original copy of all materials must be received, for the SWRCB to consider your protest. The protest should be submitted to:

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Water Rights  
c/o Greg Wilson  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Additionally, a copy of the protest must also be sent to the petitioner. SWRCB will respond to all protests within 90 day of the date of this notice.

A protest may be based on any of the factors listed below:

Injury to existing water rights;  
Has an adverse environmental impact;  
Is not in the public interest;  
Is contrary to law; or  
Is not within the jurisdiction of the SWRCB.

All protests must clearly describe the objections to approval of the petition and the factual basis for those objections. For example, if the objection is based on injury to existing water rights, the protest must describe the specific injury to the existing water right that would result from approval of the changes proposed by the petition. In addition, the party claiming injury to prior water rights must provide specific information that describes the basis of existing right, the date the use began, the quantity of water use, the purpose of use, and the place of use. Protest based on environmental impacts, public interest, legality, or jurisdictional issues must be accompanied by a statement of facts supporting the basis of the protest. If sufficient information is not submitted, the SWRCB may reject the protest or request that the protestant submit additional information. The Divisions will not accept protests that are directed against the underlying water right, rather than the change proposed by the petition.

The SWRCB may grant an extension of time to file a protest, for good cause. A request for an extension of time must be submitted in a timely manner, must specify the additional time required, and must state why additional time is needed to file the protest. A pamphlet is available that provides additional information relating to water rights and the procedures for filing protests. Please contact the person listed below if you would like a copy of the pamphlet or protest forms.

**RESOLUTION OF PROTESTS:** The petitioner and protestant are encouraged to meet and discuss methods that could be used to resolve the protest. If the protest can not be resolved, SWRCB staff may conduct a field investigation with all interested parties or may hold a water right hearing.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Please contact the staff person designated under the petition of interest, if you would like additional information regarding the petition, protests, information pamphlets, protest forms, or to request an extension of time in which to file a protest.

**DESCRIPTION OF PETITIONS:** The following provides a summary of all petitions for changes in water rights or extensions of time to put water to use. The petitions are listed alphabetically by County.

COUNTY	OWNER	APPLICATION NO.
KERN	Semitropic Water Storage District	25117
NAPA	Chalone Wine Group - Acacia Winery	19203, 24609, & 30229
PLUMAS	La Porte Pines Country Club	26074 & 27273
SONOMA	Ledbetter Farms, Inc	29405

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## NOTICES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF KERN

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**APPLICATION 25117      PERMIT 17538      COMPLETE USE BY: December 31, 1999**

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Permittee:            Semitropic Water Storage District  
                         P.O. Box Z  
                         Wasco, CA 93280-0877

Source:                Poso Creek tributary to Tulare Lake Basin

Points of Diversion: 1) SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 9, T26S, R24E, MDB&M  
                         2) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 12, T26S, R23E, MDB&M  
                         3) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 10, T26S, R23E, MDB&M  
                         4) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 8, T26S, R23E, MDB&M  
                         5) NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 1, T26S, R22E, MDB&M  
                         6) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 27, T25S, R22E, MDB&M

Purposes of Use:    Irrigation and Recreation (Duck Ponds)

Direct Diversion  
Amount and

Season of Diversion: 320 cubic feet per second (cfs) from November 1 to May 31 of the succeeding year.

Storage Amount and

Season of Diversion: 15,000 acre-feet (surface storage) to be diverted at a maximum rate of 250 cfs from November 1 to May 31 of the succeeding year

25,000 acre-feet (underground) to be collected at a maximum rate of 250 cfs from November 1 to May 31 of the succeeding year

Max Annual Amount: 66,000 acre-feet

Place of Use: At the Duck Ponds (surface storage) in T25-26S, R22-24E, MDB&M. Irrigation of 15,000 acres within a gross area of 88,000 acres within the boundaries of the Pond-Poso Improvement District and also an unspecified net area within the boundaries of the Semitropic Water Storage District in T25-29S, R22-24E, MDB&M.

Existing Project: Semitropic Water Storage District (District) was organized in 1958 to provide supplemental water to agricultural lands. Approximately 116,000 acres out of 142,724 irrigable acres within the 221,000 acre boundary are irrigated in any given year with an average water demand of 444,000 acre-feet.

The District's water supplies consist of purchased water from the State Water Project (SWP), Poso Creek diversions under Permit 17538, and groundwater. Surface water, both purchased and permitted, is used for direct irrigation, recreation and groundwater banking.

11,636 acre-feet of water has been diverted from Poso Creek for recreational use and irrigation of 15,000 acres. SWP water purchased through a Kern County Water Agency contract provides for an additional annual entitlement of 155,000 acre-feet which is used to irrigate 42,188 acres.

Extension of Time: Since 1995, District farmers have, and continue to connect additional lands, heretofore irrigated exclusively with pumped groundwater, to the District's surface water distribution systems. This migration to surface water supplies has resulted in increased District diversions of Poso Creek water. The District requests a ten-year extension of time to account for a projected increase in demand which they anticipate will peak at or before ten years.

Environmental  
Document:

Semitropic Water Storage District has submitted a Notice of Exemption for review regarding the petition for extension of time.

Contact Person: Brian Coats at (916) 341-5311

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## NOTICES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NAPA

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### APPLICATIONS 19203, 24609, AND 30229

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Petitioner: Chalone Wine Group - Acacia Winery  
c/o Jim Bushey  
860G Napa Valley Corporate Way  
Napa, CA 94558

**APPLICATION 19203      LICENSE 7477      PRIORITY: January 29, 1960**

Source: Unnamed Stream tributary to Huichica Creek thence Hudeman Slough  
thence Second Napa Slough thence Sonoma Creek

Points of Diversion: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M

Purposes of Use: Irrigation, Recreation, Stockwatering, and Fire Protection

Storage Amount and  
Season of Diversion: 9 acre-feet (af) from December 1 to March 30 of the succeeding year

Place of Use: Recreational, Stockwatering, and Fire Protection use at reservoir being  
within SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M.

Irrigation of 100 acres described as follows:

2 acres within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$   
9 acres within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$   
4 acres within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$   
38 acres within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$   
12 acres within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$   
35 acres within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$

all within projected Section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M, as shown on map on  
file with the SWRCB.

**APPLICATION 24609      LICENSE 11137      PRIORITY: May 24, 1974**

Source: Unnamed Stream tributary to Mud Slough thence Napa River thence San  
Pablo Bay

Points of Diversion: SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M

Purposes of Use: Irrigation, Recreation, Stockwatering, and Fire Protection

Storage Amount and  
Season of Diversion: 3 af from November 1 to March 30 of the succeeding year

Place of Use: Recreational, Stockwatering, and Fire Protection use at reservoir being within SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M.

Irrigation of 29.2 acres described as follows:

5.0 acres within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
4.0 acres within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
7.0 acres within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
13.2 acres within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

all within projected Section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M, as shown on map on file with the SWRCB.

**APPLICATION 30229      PERMIT 20619      COMPLETE USE BY: December 31, 2006**

Source: Unnamed Stream tributary to Huichica Creek thence Hudeman Slough thence Second Napa Slough thence Sonoma Creek

Points of Diversion: SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M

Purposes of Use: Irrigation

Storage Amount and

Season of Diversion: 25 af from October 1 to June 1 of the succeeding year

Place of Use: Irrigation of 100 acres described as follows:

2 acres within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
9 acres within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
4 acres within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
38 acres within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
12 acres within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
35 acres within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

all within projected Section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M, as shown on map on file with the SWRCB.

#### **APPLICATIONS 19203, 24609, AND 30229**

Max Annual Use: By Order of 2002, the maximum amount of water that may be diverted under Licenses 7477 and 11137 and Permit 20917 is 34 af.

Existing Project: In 1996 the Petitioner purchased adjacent ranches served by water right Licenses 7477 and 11137. These licenses collectively authorize the diversion to storage of up to 12 af of water from an unnamed stream tributary to Huichica Creek to an existing reservoir (Coffield Reservoir) for irrigation, recreation, stockwatering and fire protection uses. The Petitioner also holds Permit 20917, issued in 1997, authorizing the diversion to storage of up to 25 af of water per year within an additional reservoir (Res. 1) located about ½-mile west of Coffield Reservoir. Res. 1 has been constructed but only has a capacity of 16 acre-feet.

By Order of 2002, the authorized places of use under License 7477 and Permit 20917 were combined to include 100 acres (as listed above). License 11137 was inadvertently omitted from that change. Additionally, the petitioner owns 41 acres of developed vineyard lands surrounding the 100-acre authorized place of use under License 7477 and Permit 20917 which are irrigated under either License 11137 or other rights.

Accordingly, the petitioner has requested a change in place of use to combine the places of use under Licenses 7477 and 11137 and Permit 20917 and add these surrounding 41 acres, for a total authorized place of use of 141 acres under all rights. The petition also requests redistribution of 9 acre-feet of the capacity of Res. 1 authorized under Permit 20917. The petitioner proposes to construct Res. 2, a 9-acre-foot-capacity offstream pit-type reservoir, located  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile west of Coffield Res., to store the additional water authorized for diversion.

Petition for Change: The petitioner requested the following changes:

Amend the description of the place of use under Licenses 7477 and 11137 to read:

Irrigation of 141 acres located as follows:

- 10 acres within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
- 9 acres within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
- 37 acres within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
- 38 acres within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$
- 12 acres within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$
- 35 acres within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$

all within projected Section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M, as shown on map on file with the SWRCB.

Amend the description of the existing point of diversion under Permit 20917 to read "Point of Diversion/Point of Diversion to Offstream Storage"

Add a Point of Storage to Permit 20917 described as follows:

By California Coordinate System of 1927, Zone 2, North 208,300 feet and East 1,900,500 feet, being within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected section 31, T5N, R4W, MDB&M.

Change the distribution of storage under Permit 20917 as follows:

- Reservoir #1 (Onstream) 16 af
- Reservoir #2 (Offstream) 9 af

Environmental  
Document:

An environmental document has not yet been prepared for the action described in this notice.

Contact Person:

Greg Wilson at (916) 341-5427

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## NOTICES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF PLUMAS

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### APPLICATIONS 26074 AND 27273

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Permittee: La Porte Pines Country Club  
P.O. Box 204  
La Porte, CA 95981

Purpose of Use: Domestic

Place of Use: At La Porte Pines Country Club located within NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 17 T21N R9E MDB&M as shown on maps on file with the SWRCB.

Existing Project: Water is diverted from 7 points of diversion (six springs and an unnamed stream) to provide domestic water to 59 homes in the La Porte Pines Country Club subdivision. The subdivision consists of 200 lots, and it is anticipated that gradual development of the undeveloped lots will continue, slowly.

### APPLICATION 26074      PERMIT 18088      COMPLETE USE BY: December 31, 2002

Sources: 1) Unnamed Spring tributary to Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River  
2) Unnamed Spring tributary to Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River  
3) Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River  
4) Unnamed Spring tributary to Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River

Points of Diversion: 1) NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 17 T21N R9E MDB&M  
2) NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 17 T21N R9E MDB&M  
3) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8 T21N R9E MDB&M  
4) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8 T21N R9E MDB&M

Direct Diversion  
Rate and Season of  
Diversion: 0.077 cubic feet per second from January 1 to December 31 from PODs 1,2, and 4 and from January 1 to June 30 and September 1 to December 31 from POD 3.

Max Annual Amount: 55 acre-feet per year

Extension of Time: Permittee requests an extension of time to develop full beneficial use of water authorized under this permit.



Environmental

Document:

An environmental document has not yet been prepared for the action described in this notice.

**APPLICATION 27273**

**PERMIT 18597**

**COMPLETE USE BY: December 31, 2002**

Sources:

- 1) Unnamed Spring tributary to Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River
- 2) Unnamed Spring tributary to Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River
- 3) Unnamed Spring tributary to Unnamed Stream thence Rabbit Creek thence Slate Creek thence North Yuba River

Points of Diversion:

- 1) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8 T21N R9E MDB&M
- 2) SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8 T21N R9E MDB&M
- 3) NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 17 T21N R9E MDB&M

Direct Diversion

Rate and Season of

Diversion:

0.077 cubic feet per second from January 1 to December 31 of the succeeding year

Max Annual Amount: 54.75 acre-feet per year

Extension of Time:

Permittee requests an extension of time to develop full beneficial use of water authorized under this permit.

Environmental

Document:

An environmental document has not yet been prepared for the action described in this notice.

Contact Person:

Alana L. Gibbs at (916) 341 - 5324

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**NOTICES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SONOMA**

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**APPLICATION 29405**

**PERMIT 20459**

**COMPLETE USE BY: December 31, 1994**

Permittee:

Ledbetter Farms, Inc  
c/o Wagner and Bonsignore  
Consulting Civil Engineers, A Corporation  
444 North Third Street, Suite 325  
Sacramento, CA 95814-0228

Sources:

- 1) Unnamed Stream tributary to Russian River thence Pacific Ocean
- 2) Russian River Underflow tributary to Pacific Ocean
- 3) Russian River Underflow tributary to Pacific Ocean
- 4) Russian River Underflow tributary to Pacific Ocean

Points of Diversion: 1) SW¼ of SE¼ of Section 3 T8N R9W MDB&M  
2) SE¼ of NE¼ of Section 9 T8N R9W MDB&M  
3) SE¼ of NE¼ of Section 9 T8N R9W MDB&M  
4) SE¼ of NE¼ of Section 9 T8N R9W MDB&M

Purposes of Use: Irrigation and Frost Protection

Direct Diversion  
Rate and Season of  
Diversion: 1.75 cubic feet per second (cfs) from May 1 to August 15 of each year

Storage Amount and  
Season of Diversion: 88 acre-feet from November 1 of each year to May 31 of the succeeding  
year

Max Annual Amount: 148 acre-feet per water year of October 1 to September 30

Place of Use: Irrigation of 141 acres located within Sections 3 and 10 T8N R9W  
MDB&M as shown on maps on file with the SWRCB.

Existing Project: The permittee directly diverts and stores water from four points of diversion  
for frost protection and irrigation of 141 acres. The diversion system is  
complete and place of use is established and complete. The maximum  
extent of water usage has occurred, however, the permittee did not keep any  
records to document the actual quantity of water diverted and used.

Extension of Time: Permittee requests an extension of time to develop monitoring records  
necessary to document water usage.

Environmental  
Document: An environmental document has not yet been prepared for the action  
described in this notice.

Related Applications: The Permittee also holds the following appropriative water rights:  
License 3956 (Application 13267) authorizes direct diversion of 0.43 cfs  
License 6095 (Application 13453) authorizes direct diversion of 0.18 cfs  
License 6096 (Application 14333) authorizes direct diversion of 2.15 cfs  
License 8811 (Application 22608) authorizes non-consumptive storage of  
11 acre-feet  
License 12413 (Application 27149) authorizes storage of 11 acre-feet

Contact Person: Alana L. Gibbs at (916) 341-5324